

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Norfolk Division**

CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC., et al.,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No. 2:18CV530

NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY
COMPANY, et al.,


Defendants.

RECUSAL ORDER

The undersigned conducted a settlement conference in this case on April 1, 2021. During the course of this conference, the undersigned participated in *ex parte* discussions with the parties and expressed opinions on legal and factual issues. Because of the nature of these discussions, the undersigned cannot preside over any contested issue in this case. Therefore, the Clerk is **DIRECTED** to reassign this case to an alternate United States Magistrate Judge. The parties, however, may request the undersigned to assist them in resolving future settlement issues.

The Clerk is further **DIRECTED** to forward a copy of this Order to all counsel of record and the Courtroom Deputy for the Honorable Mark S. Davis.

It is so **ORDERED**.


Lawrence R. Leonard
United States Magistrate Judge

Norfolk, Virginia
April 1, 2021